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SUBJECT: FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE: FRANKFURT CITY PARLIAMENT

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DEPT FOR CU/IVP/V - TSOUVALAS

1. FRANKFURT CITY PARLIAMENT DELEGATION HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT NEW YORK SCHEDULE COORDINATED BY MRS. DROSTE WILL BE UNDER BERKEMEIER'S NAME AT HOTEL UPON ARRIVAL EVENING MARCH 17. WE HAVE SUGGESTED THAT REPRESENTATIVE OF DELEGATION TELEPHONE MISS TSOUVALAS MARCH 18 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING PHILADELPHIA AND CHICAGO ARRANGEMENTS.

2. DELEGATION HAS BUDGETED FOR INTERPRETER SERVICES AND WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF CHICAGO INTERNATIONAL VISITORS CENTER COULD ARRANGE TO HAVE INTERPRETER AVAILABLE FOR TWO DAYS AT DELEGATION EXPENSE. SOME MEMBERS OF DELEGATION HAVE USEFUL ENGLISH BUT PREFER USE INTERPRETER, ESPECIALLY FOR TECHNICAL MATTERS.

3. PRESIDENT OF CITY PARLIAMENT HAS NOTIFIED US TODAY THAT FORMAL LEADER OF DELEGATION WILL BE DR. GERD REINSCHMIDT, WHO IS VICE PRESIDENT OF CITY PARLIAMENT. KARLHEINZ BERKEMEIER AND SIEGFRIED NEUBAUER ARE CHAIRMEN OF PLANNING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEES, RESPECTIVELY, FROM WHICH

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PARTICIPANTS DRAWN. THESE THREE SENIOR PERSONS

ARE ALL FROM SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (SPD),  
WHICH HAS ABSOLUTE MAJORITY IN CITY PARLIAMENT.  
STAFF MEMBER GERHARD WEBER WHO ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED  
TO TRAVEL WITH GROUP AND HANDLE ADMINSTRATIVE  
ARRANGEMENTS (HOTELS, TRANSPORTATION, INTERPRETER  
FEES, ETC.) UNABLE TO TRAVEL. HIS PLACE BEING  
TAKEN BY HERR MARDER.

4. OF THREE JOURNALISTS ACCOMPANYING GROUP, WILFRIED  
EHRlich (FRANKKURTER ALLGEMEINE) SPENT SEVERAL WEEKS  
IN U.S. LAST YEAR OBSERVING CITY PLANNING AND  
URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS AND IS THUS QUITE KNOWLEDGEABLE.  
ALEXANDER HOFFMANN (FRANKFURTER NEUE PRESSE) WON  
WAECHTER PREIS, COMPARABLE TO PULITZER PRIZE, TWO  
YEARS AGO FOR BEST LOCAL POLITICAL REPORTING IN  
GERMANY.5. CITY PARLIAMENT AND CONGEN GREATLY APPRECIATE  
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DEPT'S ASSISTANCE. HARLAN

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